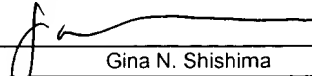




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**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Lei Yu

Serial No.: 09/626,616

Filed: July 27, 2000

For: METHODS OF SCREENING FOR  
SUBSTANCES WHICH BIND OPIOID  
RECEPTORS

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: R. Landsman

Atty. Dkt. No.: INDA:005USD1

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two months to and including June 2, 2003 (since May 31, 2003 fell on a weekend) in which to file his Notice of Appeal in response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2002.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the fee for this extension is \$205. A check is enclosed (which includes the \$205 fee and the \$160 fee for filing the Notice of Appeal).

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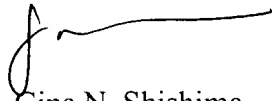
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